

MBSS 2018 Summer Training Overview

The MBSS summer training will be held at Harford Community College in Bel Air on May 29 – June 1, 2018. The following is a brief overview of the four-day training. Breakfast and lunch are provided each day. A more detailed summer training agenda will follow, so please check the MBSS training website for updates.

Day 1: (29 May 2018) – *Fish Crew Leader Certification*

- MBSS training and field crew leader certification overview^{*}
- Fish sampling protocols – presentations and field demonstration^{*}
- Fish crew leader written certification test^{*}
- Review of physical habitat assessment protocols – presentation and field demonstration
- All day taxonomy review of fish, herpetofauna, crayfish, and mussels

Day 2: (30 May 2018) –

- All day taxonomy review of fish, herpetofauna, crayfish, and mussels. Experts in fish, herpetofauna, crayfish, and mussel identification will give powerpoint presentations (topic TBD) and be on hand to review the taxonomy of each group.

Day 3: (31 May 2018) –

- Review of fish, herpetofauna, crayfish, exotic plant, and mussel taxonomy. Experts in fish, herpetofauna, crayfish, exotic plant, and mussel identification will give powerpoint presentations (topic TBD) and be on hand to review the taxonomy of each group.
- Crayfish, Mussel, and Herpetofauna taxonomy exams

Day 4: (1 June 2018) –

- Fish taxonomy certification overview
- Fish taxonomy exam⁺

^{*} Required for Fish Crew Leader certification. A field audit is also required to complete this certification.

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